

## EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS HONOLULU

June <u>8</u>, 1999

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 1638

Honorable Members Twentieth Legislature State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 1638, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Educational Officers."

The purpose of Senate Bill No. 1638 is to require the Department of Education (DOE) and the exclusive representative for bargaining unit 6 to study possible inequities in pay for educational officers within the DOE and report to the Legislature before the convening of the regular session of 2000.

However, the DOE is able to pursue an internal review of the matter without this legislation. Moreover, some of the requirements of this bill are duplicated by a proviso contained in House Bill No. 100, the bill that will enact the General Appropriations Act of 1999, which requires the Auditor to conduct a study of the compensation of DOE personnel. The Auditor office is in a better position to conduct an impartial review because the Auditor has no vested interest in the results of the study.

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning Senate Bill No. 1638 without my approval.

Respectfully,

BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO
Governor of Hawaii

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WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor is required to give notice, by a proclamation, of his plan to return with his objections any bill presented to him less than ten days before adjournment sine die or presented to him after adjournment sine die of the Legislature;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1638, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Educational Officers," passed by the Legislature, was presented to the Governor within the aforementioned period;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 1638 is unacceptable to the Governor of the State of Hawaii;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO, Governor of the State of Hawaii, do hereby issue this proclamation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, giving notice of my plan to return Senate Bill No. 1638 with my objections thereon to the Legislature as provided in said Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution.

DONE at the State Capitol, Honolulu, State of Hawaii, this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 1999.

BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO

Governor of Hawaii